

REMARKS

This is a divisional application of pending U.S. Patent Application Ser. No. 10/037,875 filed on November 09 2001. This application claims the benefit under Title 35 U.S.C. 119(e) of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/247,257 filed on November 10, 2000 and U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/326,274 filed on October 01, 2001.

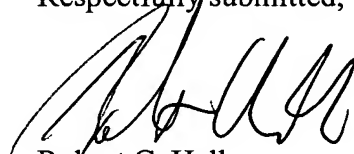
Claims 1-25 have been canceled without prejudice. Claims 26-35, newly presented herein, are pending in this application. Claims 26-35 represent subject matter of the claims of Group II, "Claims drawn to a composition comprising imidazoline compounds of specific formula, classified in class 514, subclass 365", identified in the *Election/Restriction* of the Office Action mailed May 21, 2003 in the parent case. Claims 26-35 are fully supported by Applicants' disclosure and introduce no new matter.

It is respectfully requested that the above preliminary amendment be entered pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.115; that this application be considered in view of the above amendment and following remarks; and that all of the claims remaining in this application be allowed.

CONCLUSION

If the Examiner finds that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Respectfully submitted,

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